

What is claimed is:

1. A method for selecting a safety system used in conjunction with a motorized barrier operator, comprising:
 - determining whether one type of a safety system is connected to the operator;
 - and
 - selecting said one type of safety system if connected to the operator and selecting another type of said safety system if said one type of safety system is not connected to the operator.
2. The method according to claim 1, further comprising:
 - pressing a program button connected to the operator;
 - releasing said program button within a predetermined period of time; and
 - selecting by the operator of another type of said safety system.
3. The method according to claim 2, further comprising:
 - releasing said program button after said predetermined period of time; and
 - selecting by the operator of said one type of safety system if connected to the operator.
4. The method according to claim 3, further comprising:
 - providing an indication that said program button has been pressed.
5. The method according to claim 4, further comprising:
 - removing said indication after elapsing of said predetermined period of time.
6. The method according to claim 5, wherein said indication is illumination of a lamp.

7. The method according to claim 5, wherein said indication is emitting of an audible sound.
8. A method for designating a safety system associated with a motorized barrier operator, comprising:
 - providing a motorized barrier operator adaptable to different types of safety systems;
 - providing said motorized barrier operator with a default safety system;
 - providing said motorized operator with a boot-up sequence to allow for selection of one of said default safety system and an optional safety system.
9. The method according to claim 8, further comprising:
 - detecting said optional safety system's connection to said motorized barrier operator.
10. The method according to claim 9, further comprising:
 - designating said optional safety system by said motorized barrier operator when said optional safety system is detected.
11. The method according to claim 10, further comprising:
 - providing a program button with said motorized operator, wherein actuation and release of said program button designates said default safety system for use with said motorized operator.
12. The method according to claim 11, wherein said motorized operator requires actuation of said program button on power-up and release of said program button within a predetermined period of time for designation of said default safety system.

13. The method according to claim 11, wherein said motorized operator reverts to designation of said optional safety system only at power-up and detection of said optional safety system.
14. The method according to claim 11, wherein said motorized operator reverts to designation of said optional safety system on power-up and holding of said program for a predetermined period of time.
15. The method according to claim 8, further comprising:
 - providing said motorized operator with a pre-installed jumper; and
 - detecting said optional safety system's connection to said motorized barrier operator.
16. The method according to claim 15, further comprising:
 - designating said optional safety system when said optional safety system is detected and said pre-installed jumper is intact.
17. The method according to claim 15, further comprising:
 - designating said default safety system when said pre-installed jumper is cut.
18. The method according to claim 17, further comprising:
 - providing a program button with said operator, wherein actuation of said program button with said pre-installed jumper intact maintains said optional safety system.
19. The method according to claim 17, further comprising:

providing a program button with said operator, wherein actuation of said program button and cutting of said pre-installed jumper disables said optional safety system.

20. The method according to claim 19, further comprising:

providing an external jumper mount; and

checking for the presence of a connection of an external jumper across said external jumper mount.

21. The method according to claim 20, further comprising:

enabling said optional safety system upon detection of the presence of said external jumper.

22. The method according to claim 20, further comprising:

performing said checking step each time said motorized operator receives a barrier movement command.